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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A frame for an ATV comprising:

a first frame member;

a second frame member;

at least a first cross member and a second cross member extending between said first and second frame members to thereby define a closed perimeter with an engine receiving space therein; and

first and second outboard wheel suspension mounting points associated with at least one of the first frame member, the second frame member, the first cross member, and the second cross member;

wherein at least one of the first frame member and the second frame member is positioned substantially along a longitudinal centerline of the frame and extends from the first outboard wheel suspension mounting point to the second outboard wheel suspension mounting point;

wherein one of the first and second outboard wheel suspension mounting points is constructed and arranged to position a front pair of wheels at a longitudinal position where the front pair of wheels define an axis of rotation, when being steered straight ahead, that is positioned rearward of a forwardmost portion of the frame;

wherein at least one of the first and second frame members consists essentially of a single beam.

2. (Cancelled)